

Appn. No. 09/752,580
Amendment dated April 19, 2005
Reply to Office Action mailed 12/17/2004

REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 through 14 and 18 through 19 remain in this application. Claims 15 through 17 and 20 through 23 have been cancelled. No claims have been withdrawn. Claims 24 through 27 have been added.

Claim 10 has been rewritten to include the requirements of claims 15 and 16, which was indicated as being allowable in the Advisory Action, therefore it is submitted that claim 10, as well as claims 11 through 14 which depend from claim 10, are in condition for allowance.

Further, added claim 24 includes the requirements of claim 10, 15 and 17, which was also indicated as being allowable in the Advisory Action, and therefore claim 24 is submitted to be in condition for allowance.

Claim 1 has been amended, and now includes the requirements of "if at least one related electronic mail message having the unique identifier is located in the mailbox during said searching the mailbox step, determining which of the selected electronic mail message and the at least one related electronic mail message has a latest sent time" and "providing information relating to results of said searching the mailbox step, including differentiating the electronic mail message having the latest sent time from any other electronic mail message having the unique identifier". It is submitted that the amendments to claim 1 adopts the salient features of claims 16 and 17, and that claim 1 defines over the prior art.

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Claim 18 has been amended to include the requirement of "differentiating the electronic mail message determined to have the latest sent time from any other electronic mail message having the unique identifier", and is also submitted to define over the prior art.

CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, early reconsideration and allowance of this application are most courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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